

SUGAR
Cane: 4,42c. lb., \$88.40 per ton.
Beets: 14s 9 1/4d. per cwt., \$102.60 per ton.

HAWAIIAN STAR.

WEATHER
Ther. min., 69.
Bar., 30.12.
Wind, 11m., SE.
Rain, 24h., 8 a. m., .00.

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AN ATTEMPT TO KILL WAR MINISTER

KALAKAUA AVENUE PARK SUGGESTIONS

Improvement Committee, at a meeting held yesterday afternoon in the rooms of the Merchants' Association, Alexander Young Hotel building. This plan will be reported to a general meeting of the Central Improvement Committee for such action as it may deem proper.

The width of twelve feet was a compromise between the extremes of ten feet and twenty feet which have been respectively favored by different citizens whose views had been ascertained in various ways. As regards the choice of parking the middle of the road, instead of the sides with

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CHRISTIAN EXTENSION WILL HAVE TWO THEATERS SUNDAY

The five Chinese churches will hold a union meeting at the Liberty theater tomorrow evening to discuss the five phases of China's needs as met by Christianity.

Five prominent Chinese will address the meeting, each one taking a sub-topic of the question. The five sub-topics to be discussed will be (1) Christianity in the Home, (2) Christianity in Public Life, (3) Christianity in Education, (4) Christianity in Business, (5) Christianity in the Individual.

Francis W. Damon, who is in charge of the service, has requested that the general public help out the meeting by attending. There will be special music.

There will be a boys' meeting in the Empire theater at 2 o'clock tomorrow evening which will be addressed by Bishop Restarick; at 4 o'clock a laymen's meeting will be held. It will be addressed by T. Clive Davies. At 7:30 the Christian Extension meeting will be held in the Bijou theater in order to accommodate the large attendance.

Bishop Bashford, who arrived this afternoon in the Mongolia from China, is to address the meeting. Bishop Bashford is one of the dignitaries of the Methodist church and has achieved a reputation as a speaker.

BISHOP BASHFORD HERE TO TAKE PART IN METHODIST CONFERENCE

Bishop Bashford's arrival makes today an eventful one for the Methodist Episcopal church conference that began its sessions this week. As will be seen by the Sunday services column, there will be more than one opportunity tomorrow to hear the distinguished preacher. His address on China, from which land he comes direct, ought at the present juncture be of thrilling interest.

Annual reports were the order of business at the conference today, with Japanese, Korean and English pastors in attendance.

Pastors took the conference examinations on Wednesday.

On Thursday there was an all-day session, at which papers were read on "The Deity of Christ," "The Power of Prayer" and "Work Among Women and Children."

Yesterday saw another all-day session, papers being read and addresses delivered on "Value and Work of the Holy Spirit," "Polity of the Church" and "Prophecies."

Among the principal speakers at the conference have been Rev. J. W. Wadman, Rev. R. E. Smith, C. J. Day, Edw. Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. Zubuchen.

ALLOTMENTS TO THE COUNTIES OF ESTIMATED YEAR'S TAXES

When asked this morning what he thought of the \$20,000,000 increase in the tax assessments of the islands, Governor Frear said that he thought the county people should be very pleased.

"The law says that property should be taxed up to its full cash value. The unwritten law is that all persons should be taxed the same, according to the property they own. It should be fair all around, and no one should be taxed more than anybody else."

The governor added that if the tax rate produces too much the county governments could reduce the rate later on. A saving in running expenses might be made, and the proportion for permanent improvements might be increased.

On the new assessment basis as computed by the board of equalization, the city and county of Honolulu will receive \$553,472.25, which amount is considerably more than that of last year. Oahu gets two-thirds of one per cent of the general assessment.

The board of equalization finished up

Kalaniana'ole Will Not Leave Here In the Mongolia

It appears certain that Delegate Kalaniana'ole will not leave in the Mongolia tomorrow to return to his duties in Washington. There is doubt even that he will make up his mind to take the Wilhelmna on Wednesday.

His immediate entourage in the assault on Governor Frear's candidacy for reappointment are undisguisedly worried over Kuhl's staying away from attendance on Congress while most vital matters affecting Hawaii in tariff legislation are hanging in the balance. Those who back Frear, like those whose concern is mainly public interest, are beginning to evince open indignation at the Delegate's absence from Congress to do his own politics. There is strong pressure being brought to bear from Washington upon Delegate Kalaniana'ole, it is positively asserted today, to induce him to return as speedily as possible to the fighting line for Hawaii's interests.

Kuhl left his residence for town shortly before noon today, but had not got into conference with the chiefs of his cause up to the time this is written—a few minutes before the Star's press hour. From one of these, as well as from a member of the Republican central committee, however, it is learned that the Delegate's departure in tomorrow's outgoing steamer is extremely unlikely.

It was announced late this afternoon that Kuhl would deliver an address at Asia Park on Monday evening.

HUMOROUSLY BUT CUTTINGLY BRECKONS DEALS WITH EXPERTS

The Mahuka site case will go to the jury about 3:30 o'clock this afternoon, if the lawyers finish their arguments as soon as was anticipated at the time court was dismissed for its noon recess.

At that time L. J. Warren was in the midst of his argument in reply to Breckons. He stated during the recess that he expected to consume about fifteen minutes more in his address. After that Attorney Olson was to make his concluding address, after which Judge Dole would instruct the jury and commit the case to their hands.

Most of the morning was taken up by United States District Attorney Breckons in his argument to the jury. Mr. Breckons was entertaining, even to the attorneys opposed to him and much of the time he kept a broad grin on the faces of the jurymen, as he dwelt sarcastically upon the qualifications of the witnesses for the defense to pose as real estate experts.

Breckons paid particular attention to the testimony of R. R. Reidford, the star expert for the defense. He went at considerable length into the testimony given by Reidford and proceeded to ridicule much of it.

Mr. Reidford, said Breckons, was right; he was always right; he insisted upon being right, and nobody could persuade the gentleman that he was not right, no matter whether he was right or not. Nothing could change his opinion after he had once given it. If he said a thing, it must be so.

Then dropping sarcasm, Breckons openly challenged Mr. Reidford's disinterestedness. "Mr. Reidford," he said, "was not a disinterested witness. If he succeeded in fixing a new and high standard of values for Honolulu real estate in this case, he would be able to write back to Boston and claim that he had established a standard of values that would hold throughout all the Mahuka site cases."

"Mr. Reidford's mind works in a peculiar way. I have no doubt that if, instead of testifying for his principals in a condemnation suit, he were swearing to a tax return, Mr. Reidford's mind would work in such a way that he could conscientiously state that the value of this property was seven dollars a foot instead of fifteen dollars."

Breckons went at considerable length into the details of Reidford's testimony as to values and the way he arrived at them, and as to rates of discount. Then he directed his remarks at the testimony of James W. Pratt, another of the experts who testified for the respondents.

"Mr. Pratt," he said, "swelled up just a little bit when he went on the stand. Mr. Pratt, you know, used

The Star Is Moving

The Star has begun the unpleasant, but welcome process of moving into its new home on Merchant street. The transition period will probably cover a week or more, since it is necessary to derange the business of the office as little as possible.

This morning some of the job presses were moved and by Monday they will be set up and running on a big job which will require several weeks' work. Several new presses bought by Manager Timmons while in the East have arrived, and are also being installed.

It will probably be another week before the newspaper machinery proper is transferred, but everything is being got ready for this, so that when started it can be put through with the least possible delay.

The Star's new home is a model of convenience. It is the only newspaper building in the Territory, built for the purpose to which it will be put. When finally settled in the new quarters, the Star will have facilities that are second to none in the Islands.

INVESTORS AFTER KAPAA LANDS

Colonel Spaulding was again a caller on the governor this morning, and the matter of the leasing of the four hundred-acre tract near Kapa was taken up for discussion. It is quite possible that another concern besides that projected by J. O. Lutted, may bid for the lease of the pineapple lands.

The land is to be leased on the condition that a cannery be established by the persons securing the lease.

The governor said that out of the four hundred acres there are three hundred and eighty acres of good pineapple land. The remaining twenty acres are waste land.

CHINESE DYNAMITE OUTRAGE

(Associated Press Cable to the Star.)
NANKING, March 23.—A bomb thrower today attempted to kill the minister of war, Wong Hsing. The minister escaped but an attache, Chen To, was killed.

MAINE VICTIMS BURIED.
WASHINGTON, March 23.—The victims left in the wreck of the Maine were buried today at Arlington cemetery. They were brought from Havana in the steamer Bermingham. There was a naval and military cortege and an address by the President.

THE STRIKE EPIDEMIC.
PASSAIC, N. J., March 23.—Nine hundred Clifton and Garfield spinners are on strike.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., March 23.—Thirty thousand cotton operatives demand a ten per cent increase of wages or else will strike on Monday.

CONTROL PUBLIC UTILITIES.
SAN FRANCISCO, March 23.—The public utilities bill has become effective throughout California. Under it the railroad commission has full power to regulate public utilities of all kind.

MISSIONARIES FLEEING.
CITY OF MEXICO, March 23.—Three hundred rebels have been routed at Escalon. There are eighteen dead Federals and three wounded. Chihuahua missionaries are fleeing.

DIED OF ASPHYXIATION.
NORWALK, O., March 23.—Six people have died of asphyxiation in the Huron county infirmary.

U. S. BASEBALL LEAGUE.
CHICAGO, March 23.—The completion of the United States Baseball league is announced.

CONGRESSMAN BINGHAM DEAD.
PHILADELPHIA, March 23.—Congressman Bingham, "father of the House," is dead.

(Morning Cable Report on Page Thirteen.)

Mongolia Is In Port

The P. M. S. liner Mongolia, Captain Morton, from Hongkong, Yokohama and other Oriental ports, docked at Alakea wharf at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. The passage, according to the ship's officers, was uneventful and the weather cool, but pleasant. The Mongolia brought 1947 tons of cargo for Honolulu, eleven cabin passengers and 171 Asiatics in the steerage. She also brought forty-seven bags of mail for this port. There are on board 108 through passengers in the cabin, twenty-eight second-class and eighty-two steerage, besides 847 tons of through freight in the hold.

The passengers for Honolulu on the Mongolia were J. Balmori, Bishop J. W. Bashford, N. D. Carbonell, Rev. L. E. Linzell, T. T. Abraham, A. H. Arnett, E. W. Keating, W. G. Newby, W. P. Powell and J. C. Henderson.

DR. M'COY BACK FROM HAWAII

Dr. McCoy returned from Hawaii this morning, and at once started in to work on various jobs that have been awaiting his arrival. The doctor reports things as going on smoothly along the Hamakua district. Rats are being captured daily, and tests are being made for plague germs.

"I am glad that I remained the extra week at Honokaa, as I have gathered a lot of data concerning the last case that ended fatally. The source of infection has not yet been traced, however, and I will probably be returning to Hawaii within a couple of weeks from now."

It is the intention of the health authorities to do more laboratory work at Honokaa than has been done in the past. Rats and mongoose will be examined thoroughly, and the tests will be kept up for some time.

Dr. McCoy brought some specimens back with him this morning, and he will work on them today. The plague patients who, from time to time, have been found, all show the same symptoms as regards the swollen glands in the neck. It is this phase that is baffling the doctors, as no such symptom, it is said, has been noticed anywhere else.

Chief Inspector Bowman has returned to Hilo from the Hamakua coast.

NEW EXAMINATION FOR INSPECTORS

On Monday afternoon at two o'clock an examination of candidates for positions on the board of health inspectors' staff will be held. The test will be held at the College of Hawaii, and the men who take the examination will have to answer written questions. Those who get a percentage of seventy-five or more will be passed.

There are several vacancies on the inspectorial staff, and the two previous examinations failed to provide capable men for the positions.

Dr. Pratt is determined to get intelligent men on his staff, and only those who pass the examination tests will get employment.

AVOID DANGER FROM GERMS

Public offices may now be supplied with a toilet necessity which will not only completely banish the offensive laundry bill but which will also assist in observing the laws of sanitation and cleanliness.

This convenient article is a paper towel, which is guaranteed not only to dry the skin but also to remove any danger of carrying infection from one to another, as is often the case where a common towel is used by many. In many states the use of the roller or other common towel is prohibited by law, and in other states where a law is not in effect public sentiment demands the abolition of the germ-breeding and infection carrying aid to "cleanliness."

It would appear that the use of some such article as the paper towel, which is destroyed when used, is more necessary in Honolulu than in almost any city on the mainland. The original paper towel, the Scot Tissue, is being introduced into the Territory exclusively by the American-Hawaiian Paper Company.

The rehearsal of the Symphony orchestra will take place tomorrow evening at 7:30 in the Elks' hall.